THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE V.V.S.RAO

WRIT PETITION No.2242 of 2007

Dated: 08.02.2007

Between:

Rangu Gundaiah and others.

..... PETITIONERS

AND

The Revenue Divisional Officer, Sircilla, Karimnagar District and another.

.....RESPONDENTS

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ORDER:

The predecessors of the petitioners purchased land in survey Nos.127 and 128 situated at Thangallapally Village,

Sircilla Mandal, Karimnagar District, from the assignees. According to the petitioners, the assignment was as per the Rules in G.O.Ms.No.1406 dated 25.07.1958 without a condition of inalienability and therefore, there is no prohibition for such purchase. Be that as it is, second respondent initiated action under the provisions of the relevant Rules and issued show cause notices dated 21.03.2006 calling upon the petitioners to show cause as to why the land should not be resumed for contravention of the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Assigned Lands (Prohibition of Transfers) Act, 1977 (the Act, for brevity) and G.O.Ms.No.1406 dated 25.07.1958. The petitioners submitted explanation, but second respondent by proceedings dated 04.08.2006 ordered resumption of the land. Aggrieved by the same, the petitioners preferred an appeal under Section 4-A of the Act on 01.12.2006 along with an application seeking suspension of the orders of second respondent. The appeal as well as said interlocutory application are pending. The petitioners allege that while the appeal is pending, second respondent is taking steps for assignment of the land to others and if the nature of the land is changed the appeal preferred by the petitioners would be rendered infructuous. Therefore, the petitioners filed instant writ petition seeking direction to first respondent to dispose of the appeal expeditiously.

After getting instructions, the learned Assistant Government Pleader for (Assignment) submits that the appeal stands posted to 24.02.2007. If that be so, it would be in the interests of justice to direct first respondent to dispose of the appeal on the same day without granting any further adjournment. Liberty is given to the petitioners or their counsel to approach first respondent with a copy of this order.

The writ petition, with the above observations and direction, is accordingly disposed of. No costs.

(**V.V.S.RAO, J**)

08th February, 2007
Note: Issue CC by 10.02.2007.
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